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FOR NEA/INS

E.O. 11652:GDS

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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON STOPOVER OF GENERAL ATTYGALLE

1. EMBASSY IS A BIT CONCERNED ABOUT DELAY IN DOD
(DSAA-TC) REPLY TO DATT REQUEST THAT GEN. ATTYGALLE BE
PERMITTED, FOLLOWING HIS VISIT TO CINCPAC FOR WHICH
FUNDING IS ALREADY ASSURED, TO RETURN TO SRI LANKA VIA
WASHINGTON AND LONDON.

2. AS WE UNDERSTAND IT. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDING IS REQUIRED,
SINCE CURIOUSLY HAWAII-WASHINGTON-LONDON IS CHEAPER THAN HAWAII-
DIRECT RETURN TO COLOMBO. WHAT IS NEEDED IS SOME SORT OF DOD
WAIVER, SINCE TRAVEL THOUGH CHEAPER IS A DIVERSION FROM NORMAL
PURPOSE OF GRANT TO HAWAII.

3. AD DEPT IS AWARE, HE WILL ONLY SPEND ONE NIGHT IN
WASHINGTON AT NO ADDITIONAL EXPENSE TO USG.FYI: HE WOULD GO
ON TO LONDON IN ANY EVENT, SINCE PURPOSE IS TO PICK UP HIS
WIFE AND BRING HER BACK TO SRI LANKA. IF THERE IS ANY LIKELIHOOD
THAT DOD WILL TURN THIS ONE DOWN, WE ARE
AFRAID THAT IT WILL JEOPARDIZE WHAT HAS BEEN A VERY
FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP WITH ATTYALLLE, INASMUCH AS THE
PROJECT IS PRETTY FAR DOWN THE ROAD AT THIS END.
APPRECIATE ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO EXPEDITE FAVORABLE
DOD DECISION.

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4. EMBASSY IS AWARE OF DEPT CONCERN THAT GENERAL'S
WASHINGTON STOP NOT BE TAKEN AS POLITICAL GESTURE, BUT
WE BELIEVE THIS IS MANAGEABLE, AND THAT SUCH IS NOT IN
ANY CASE THE INTENTION OF ATTYGALLE HIMSELF.
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